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## EEDC proposes regional economic development organization

by Marvin McLwain, Editor

The Coffee County Commission killed two birds with one stone on Wednesday, June 2, while meeting with the mayors from Elba, Enterprise, Kinston and New Brockton.

Primarily, the meeting was called to discuss the possibility of the county's municipalities joining the Enterprise Economic Development Corporation (EEDC); however, commissioners used the opportunity to ask the towns using the county jail to house their prisoners for an additional \$5 making their "fee" of housing inmates total \$15 per prisoner per day.

Relative to the primary purpose of Wednesday's meeting, the county commission voted in April to become a part of the EEDC. At that time, the commission agreed to contribute \$50,000 per year for three years to the operation of the corporation. Since that move was made by the county, other areas such as Geneva County have decided to pool their resources with the EEDC in an attempt to attract economic growth.

Coffee County Commissioner Tom Grimley coordinated the meeting last Wednesday in an effort to give the other county towns and city - Elba, Kinston and New Brockton - to form an alliance with the EEDC.

The executive director of the EEDC, Tim Alford, explained to the group that a regional approach to economic development is the best avenue to follow.

"By helping our neighbors to grow economically, eventually we all will reap the benefits," he said. The EEDC was formed in 1994 in a move to initiate strategic planning and regional partnerships to produce economic growth for the area in an

effort to offset the affects of NAFTA and several tough years in the area's agriculture.

A plan was presented in last week's meeting to form the Enterprise-Coffee-Geneva County Economic Development Corporation (ECGECDC), with a board of directors consisting of 18 members - four being from Geneva County and the remaining fourteen from Coffee County (Enterprise, Elba, Kinston, New Brockton and the county).

One of the mayors was all for the idea and two others expressed reservations to the idea. New Brockton Mayor Britt Lee felt that this would be great for his town since it had neither the resources or the funds to initiate an economic development plan on its own.

"I feel sure that the members of our town council will support such an organization," Lee said.

Elba Mayor James Grimes told those present that Elba had already set up a 12-member board to develop economic opportunities for the city and he was unsure as to whether Elba could join such an organization. He said that \$50,000 had already been committed to that venture, and he also expressed a concern of Elba losing its "individuality" in joining an organization such as the ECGECDC.

Kinston's mayor, Billy Mullins, also expressed a reservation about joining the ECGECDC venture.

Stating that "there is strength in numbers," Alford expressed his hope that city officials would realize the impact that such a joint venture in economic development and would unite to form the ECGECDC.

The present EEDC members gave the cities until July 31 to make their final decision on the formation of a new development partnership. All

those wishing to join will be allowed to do so for a "to-be-determined-fee" and at that time present organization (EEDC) will be restructured to meet the requirements of the new organization.

In the other unrelated proposal, mayors from Elba, Enterprise, Kinston and New Brockton were presented with a proposal asking the town to voluntarily increase the "housing fee" for municipal prisoners from \$10 to \$15 per prisoner per day.

One of the main purposes of constructing the new county jail was to not only provide a new facility for county inmates but to save the county's towns and cities from having to construct a jail of their own.

It was noted that while the municipalities are realizing a savings, the county is experiencing a considerable increase in the cost of housing prisoners.

Kathy Lolley, Assistant Coffee County Administrator, gave a brief explanation of increased expenses. Based on an average inmate population of 93 per day, she estimated the county spends \$20 per day on each prisoner with the money going for the prisoners' personal needs, medical expenses, correction personnel's training, utilities, repairs and upkeep of the facility.

"The greatest part about this is that we all have different tastes in regards to the types of daylilies we like," Mrs. Shaw said. "We all work with different seeds, and the end result is distinctly different types of flowers."

And, the Shaws said the goal of their hybridizing efforts each year is to find a flower that is distinct enough in its presence to register with American Hemerocallis Society. (Hemerocallis is the scientific name for daylily.)

"You going to put your name on this flower, and it will be there forever," Mrs. Shaw said. "So, you want it to be something you are very proud of and different from anything else."

For that reason, she said they watch the flowers they are considering to register each and every day. They take detailed notes, and try to know everything possible about that flower.

After all, she said they are looking for an end result which will be in request by the daylily buyers. Buyers want plants that not only look pretty but have a good growth habit and rebloom.

The flower does not have these characteristics, Mrs. Shaw said being pretty just is not enough to register the flower. She said she has to be her worst critic when it comes to the flowers.

"It's a full time job," Mrs. Shaw said. "But, I think it is good for our

county-wide economic development organization.

He noted that the Enterprise Economic Development Corporation has proposed to Coffee County and Geneva County the opportunity to join their organization and reorganize forming the Enterprise-Coffee-Geneva County Economic Development Corporation (ECGECDC). Coffee County has accepted and Geneva

County has tentatively agreed to the proposal also. The towns of New Brockton, Kinston and Elba have also been offered the opportunity to join the organization too.

Mayor Lee recommended to the council that New Brockton join in this new venture. Members of the council concurred.

At the present time, the town will not have to allocate any funds toward the project; however, it is possible that it will have to do so in the future.

"They have assured me that we would be considered for anything that might come available as far as a business or industry that New Brockton could support in the way of land or building that they could go into," said Lee.

Turning to other matters, the council approved payment of the monthly bills totaling \$23,326.61. Mayor Lee also commented that the town's income has been a little less than it was last year due to the decrease in franchise tax, but the overall financial condition is better than it was at the same time last year.

The ordinance concerning manufactured housing was tabled at the

request of the mayor so the planning commission could review it further before the council takes final action.

Police Chief Charles Driggers reported that his officers investigated 18 complaints and made 21 arrests, issued 24 traffic citations and investigated 3 accidents with no injuries. The rescue squad answered 2 calls and the fire department responded to 2 fires. There were

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There will be a community crime watch meeting held at the Zion Chapel Volunteer Fire Department Thursday (TOMORROW), June 10, at 7:00 p.m. The purpose of the meeting is to learn what area residents can do to protect their property. Law enforcement personnel will be at the meeting to explain what can be done, residents of the Zion Chapel/Jack communities are encouraged to attend this important meeting.

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## Offer of large reward produces no new leads in missing six mystery

by Marvin McLwain, Editor

Area law enforcement agencies continue their search for the six missing people with no new leads or evidence to indicate what might have happened to the two men and four women.

This past weekend, a volunteer search and rescue team from Montgomery County searched ravines and body's of water along the two likely routes that would have been taken from Opp to Enterprise.

The rescue team used divers, drags and cadaver dogs in their search of area creeks, rivers and nearby lakes and ponds located along the roadway.

Enterprise Police Chief T. D. Jones, whose department is heading up the investigation of the disappearances, stated the only lead in the incident is that the six individuals were last seen in Opp on May 8 at approximately 3:15 a.m. They had been "partying" at a local nightclub known as the Hideaway Club.

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## BRAINSTORMS

With Ferrin Cox

Alzheimer's is a terrible thing for the mind. The good news is that researchers are on the trail for a cure! Within the next five years they expect to be testing their work on humans. It involves injecting some special cells into the brain and watching them evolve into the particular type brain cell that has gone astray. Most of us have witnessed the tragedy of a loved one or a friend slowly losing their normal mental abilities. It is not a pleasant thing to watch, and we are excited about the prospects.

The disappearance of six area adults continues to puzzle Southeast Alabama. The group was reportedly last seen leaving Opp, sometime after 3:00 a.m., weeks ago, all in the same car. Law enforcement folks have been aided by Search and Rescue experts but have found no clues on what happened. The group had met up casually, was having a good time and could have gone in any of a dozen directions, not just back toward Enterprise. It is natural to hope for the best, but after weeks of no word, the outlook is anything but bright. There is a \$10,000 reward for information, which makes it worthwhile to anyone with the slightest bit of helpful information.

The Alabama Legislature has passed, and Governor Siegelman has signed, the long debated bill on tort reform. There is a lot of back slapping and cheering on this issue, but it may be premature. Once before the lawmakers got a similar bill through the legislature and signed by the sitting governor, only to have it struck down when an enterprising lawyer challenged the law before the higher courts.

The bill to raise the pay of judges, DAs, etc. bothers us. Long ago we gave up on thinking we knew what the correct income was for any job, but there is still a grave concern over things used to pay the raises. Coffee County is required to enforce court costs that we already consider almost criminal due to their high amounts. Adding an additional \$30 to every case will just make it worse. Hopefully, Governor Siegelman has by the time you read this, put a stop to this abuse.

### Praying for Patience

Johnny had been misbehaving and was sent to his room. After a while he emerged and informed his mother that he had thought it over and then said a prayer. "Fine," said the pleased mother. "If you ask God to help you not misbehave, He will help you." "Oh, I didn't ask Him to help me not misbehave," said Johnny. "I asked Him to help you put up with me."



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## EDITORIAL



**LOOKING FOR A NAME...** Lt. Jack Herbert with the Coffee County Sheriff's Department, after receiving his two newest deputy recruits, went looking for a name. Rory Daughtry, a resident of Elba, donated two Brittany Spaniels to the department with the stipulation they be trained as drug enforcement dogs. Lt. Herbert decided to let the D.A.R.E. (Drug Abuse Resistance Education) students have a part in selecting a name for his two "new deputies." Last Friday, he visited all three schools to let the students "meet and touch" the puppies and submit name choices. Pictured above are the D.A.R.E. students at Zion Chapel Elementary School and somewhere (you find them) are the two "deputies." The names selected are "Dixie" and "Belle." One of the puppies will be trained as a drug dog while the other one will become an explosive sniffer trained in locating bombs and/or explosive materials. The two new deputies have already begun their training.

### ELBA GENERAL HOSPITAL REPORT

Elba General Hospital had the following patients admitted during the time period of May 31, 1999 through June 6, 1999. They were: Harry Griffin, Craig Boswell, Pam Bowers, Lennie Johnson, Vivian Maddox, John J. Hudson, Tiffany Parrish, Willie McClain, May Bryan, William Donaldson, Shirley Johnson, Joyce Misseldine, Sherri Manning, Mickey Daniels, Gertrude Ennis, Dorothy Linton, Paula Boswell, Margaret Hussey, Allen Watson, Terry Tristan, Annise Coleman, Marissa Bludsworth, Vaneccia Magwood, and Samantha Breen.

Persons discharged during the same time period were: Jerry Hurt, Emma Haskins, Harry Griffin, Craig Boswell, Bennie Diane Spurlin, William Donaldson, Willie McClain, John J. Hudson, Mickey Daniels, Joyce Misseldine, Vivian Maddox, Paula Boswell, Tiffany Parrish, Shirley Johnson, Margaret Hussey, and Rosa Tyson.

### Elba Police Report

The Elba Police Department, beginning Monday, May 31, 1999, investigated the following incidents: three criminal mischiefs, one runaway, three harassments, two burglaries, four thefts of property, two reckless endangerments, one resisting arrest, one missing person, one possession for drug paraphernalia, one public intoxication, one assault, two possessions of marijuana, and one VPL.

The following arrests were made during the week: three for violation of the city's excessive noise ordinance, one for burglary, three for VPL, one for fraudulent use of a credit card, one for resisting arrest, one for reckless endangerment, one for possession of drug paraphernalia, one for disorderly conduct, one for rape, one for public intoxication, and one for possession of marijuana.

Traffic citations issued during the week were as follows: four for speeding, three for driving while suspended, one driver's license was suspended, one for no driver's license in possession, one for expired driver's license, and one for no tag.

Daily activity highlights for the week were as follows:

**MONDAY, MAY 31** - Alarm at The Jewel Box (2:42 a.m.); River stage - 3.27 feet (7:06 a.m.); Disturbance (domestic) Old Samson Road (12:08 p.m.); Disturbance/fight on Reynolds Street (11:18 p.m.).

**TUESDAY, JUNE 1** - River stage - 3.20 feet (6:33 a.m.); Alarm at Ace Hardware (9:59 p.m.); Routine activity.

**WEDNESDAY, JUNE 2** - River stage - 3.64 (7:03 a.m.); Burglary reported on Caroline Street (2:20 p.m.); Routine activity.

**THURSDAY, JUNE 3** - Disturbance reported on Hickman Avenue (5:17 a.m.); River stage - 3.58 (6:23 a.m.); Minor wreck reported at city hall (12:12 p.m.); Alarm at a residence on Martin Luther King Drive (8:09 p.m.).

**FRIDAY, JUNE 4** - River stage - 3.27 feet (6:23 a.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to Smith-Harper Apartments (12:44 p.m.); Alarm at Skinner Furniture (3:47 p.m.); Fight reported on Gray Street (10:14 p.m.); Elba Rescue Squad dispatched to Gray Street (10:17 p.m.); Fight reported at Kelly's Bar-B-Que (10:25 p.m.).

**SATURDAY, JUNE 5** - Possible prowler reported at Beaver Dam Apts. (1:07 a.m.); River stage - 3.06 feet (6:54 a.m.); Alarm at a residence on Claxton Avenue (7:53 a.m.); Alarm at Kelley Foods (10:01 p.m.).

**SUNDAY, JUNE 6** - River stage - 3.70 feet (6:39 a.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to a residence on AL Hwy. 141 (8:46 a.m.); Routine activity.

### BULLETIN BOARD

• **SOCIAL SECURITY REP** - Counhouse, 4th Tues. 12:30-1:30. Call FREE 1-800-772-1213.

• **ROTARY CLUB** - Tuesday @ Noon - First Baptist Church Fellowship Hall.

• **ELBA MINISTERIAL ASSN.** - Tues. 8 a.m. Elba United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall.

• **ELBA CITY COUNCIL** - 2nd & 4th Monday - 6 p.m. City Hall.

• **WATER & ELECTRIC** - Tuesday following 2nd Monday - 6 p.m. - City Hall.

• **COFFEE COUNTY COMMISSION** - 2nd & 4th Monday - Community Room in Farm Center Complex @ New Brockton.

• **LIONS CLUB** - 2nd & 4th Tues. - 6:30 p.m. Senior Citizen Center.

• **ELBA CITY SCHOOL BOARD** - 1st Thurs. 5:30 p.m. Sup. Office.

• **AMERICAN LEGION** - 1st Thurs. 7:30 p.m. Legion Hall - Troy Hwy.

• **RESCUE SQUAD** - 2nd & 4th Tues. - 7 p.m. Rescue Sq. Bld.

• **MASONIC LODGE 170** - 1st & 3rd Monday of each month 7 p.m.

• **BAND BOOSTERS** - 1st Mon. - 7 p.m. Band Room @ Elba High School.

• **VETERANS SERVICE OFFICER** - Mon-Fri. 8:12 noon & 12:30 - 4:30 New Brockton @ Farm Center Complex 894-9558.

• **COFFEE COUNTY COON HUNTERS ASSN.** - 3rd Sat. - 3 p.m. - Club House.

• **COFFEE REPUBLICAN WOMEN** - 3rd Wed. Noon - Colony Inn, Enterprise.

• **AIRPORT AUTHORITY** - 1st Tuesday at noon, City Hall Conference Room.

• **AARP** meets every 3rd Tuesday night of the month.

• **CIVIL AIR PATROL** - Every Monday 7 p.m. - Elba Airport - Driscoll hangar.

• **ELBA ATHLETIC CLUB** - Mondays - 6:30 p.m. - Elba Cafeteria.

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## NBTC

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only 8 dogs picked up and carried to the Elba Dog Pound this month.

The council was extremely pleased with the improving situation of stray animals (dogs) or the lack of in the town.

Other items of discussion were as follows:

\*\*\*Note the proposed increase of \$5 per day per inmate for the care of municipal prisoners in the county jail. They approved the increase from \$10 to \$15 commenting that it was cheaper than building a municipal jail.

\*\*\*Councilman Ron McMonagle

commented that the law has changed concerning "new hires" for the police department. As of February 1999, new officers who are not post certified have to be fully supervised by a training officer prior to their attending the academy for certification.

\*\*\*Mayor Lee informed the council that Bill Emerine has been hired as a part-time employee for the street department.

\*\*\*Change the next council meeting date to July 12th instead of July 5th.

The Birmingham News and Birmingham Post-Herald have

## STRAW

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Coffee County will send 35 voting delegates and 7 alternates to the straw poll in August, Blount said. "These delegates will be selected during a county convention to be held at the Ramada Inn in Enterprise on June 26. The county convention will be an exciting opportunity for people across the state to participate in an historic event in our state."

Blount said thousands of registra-

tion ballots will be mailed across the state inviting people to participate in the county conventions and in the straw poll.

For more information about the county convention, contact Al Patterson at (334)393-7064. Updates about all events are regularly posted on the Alabama Republican Party's website: <http://www.algop.org>.

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## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Dear Mr. Mollwain:

It saddens and angers me to realize how today's media, in all forms, is more interested in the almighty dollar than in simply reporting the facts to the public. Why has the media world resorted to tabloid journalism in recent years? What happened to good, honest reporting?

The Birmingham News and Birmingham Post-Herald have both published articles and editorials urging their readers to be against the "expansion of legalized gambling" in Alabama. At the same time, however, they sell advertising space to not only the local dog track, but also to many casinos in Mississippi. How can you be against gambling, but promote it at the same time? Money says it all.

The Birmingham News and Birmingham Post-Herald have

reduced their editorials to gossip columns with many renditions disguised as "Expansion of Legalized Gambling." Not once did these newspapers state the facts. Not once did they inform their readers how prevalent, in this state, that illegal video gambling machines have become.

I personally feel that reporting should be completely neutral and objective, stating only the facts (and all of the facts) and allowing the public to form its own opinions based upon those facts. I also realize, however, that it is necessary for many newspapers and other forms of media to take a stand on certain issues because of their mission. However, if you must take a stand on something, at least stay on one side of the fence. If you think that by expressing your biased opinions

and then contradicting them with ads makes you look neutral, then you are sadly mistaken. It only makes you look like hypocrites who are after one thing from the public - money, not respect.

Every newspaper in this state should review the residue left by the biased reporting and biased opinions of the Birmingham tabloids. After doing so, you will find there is a foul stench in the air.

Sincerely,

J. Edward O'Neill

**EXPRESS YOUR VIEWS WRITE A LETTER TO THE EDITOR**

## From The House...

by Congressman Terry Everett

House votes to protect social security surplus

The U.S. House of Representatives has taken decisive action to protect Social Security surplus funds from being squandered by Washington at the expense of today's and tomorrow's seniors.

In late May, lawmakers overwhelmingly passed the Social Security and Medicare Safe Deposit Box Act of 1999 (HR 1259) to ensure that every dime of the Social Security Trust Fund surplus remains in the Trust Fund for future beneficiaries.

Social Security is a sacred trust between the government and the American people: a trust that must be maintained and strengthened. Two thirds of our seniors rely on Social Security for at least half of their income. Low-wage workers look to Social Security for 80 percent of their income when they retire or become disabled. With such a heavy reliance on Social Security, it is critical that steps be taken to ensure that Social Security does not face a future financial crisis.

As the number of American retirees increases dramatically, the number of workers who support their benefits through FICA taxes is

dropping. In 1940, there were 42 workers paying into the Social Security system for each Social Security beneficiary. Today, there are just three workers for each beneficiary; and, in 35 years that ratio will decrease to only two workers for each Social Security recipient.

If no action is taken to address the long-term solvency of Social Security, the Trust Fund will be exhausted in 2034.

It is obvious that Americans depend upon Social Security and expect it to be there for them. The conservative Congress agrees. However, protecting and ultimately reforming Social Security for future generations will require the combined efforts of the Congress and the White House to accomplish.

Protecting the Social Security surplus right now is a good first step in that process.

The Social Security and Medicare Safe Deposit Act, passed by the House on May 26, creates a "lock box" to protect all of the expected \$1.8 trillion Social Security Trust Fund surplus over the next 10 years.

If the lock box legislation is enacted into law, it would mark the first time since the Social Security Act was passed in 1935 that every Trust

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## AREA DEATHS

WARREN RANDOLPH SIMMONS

Mr. Warren Randolph Simmons, age 82, of Rt. 1 Box 98, Elba, died June 4, 1999 at Enterprise Medical Center.

Mr. Simmons was a life long resident of Elba and Coffee County and was a Combat veteran of WWII.

Funeral services were held on June 7, 1999 at Hayes Funeral Home Chapel. Burial followed in the Rosin Ridge Cemetery in Elba with Hayes Funeral Home directing.

Survivors include his wife: Jeanette Smith Simmons, Elba; two daughters: Sis Hornsby and Deb Hornsby, both of New Brockton; four sons: Silas Simmons, Elba; Buddy Simmons, Jack, Edgar Simmons, Jack, Doug Simmons, Opp; three sisters: Bonnie Scarborough, Elba; Willene Parker, Larue, Ohio; Martha Baldwin, Winter Garden, Fla.; 15 grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

**LD. COON**  
Mr. LD. Coon, born Jan. 1, 1906, of Elba, died June 1, 1999 at Medical Center Enterprise.

Funeral services were held June 4, 1999 at Oak Grove Baptist Church in Elba with Rev. J.R. Parks officiating. Burial followed in the Bethlehem Cemetery in Elba with Hammond Funeral Home directing.

Mr. Coon was preceded in death by his parents, Robert Domer and Minnie Lee Coon and a son, Robert

Coon.

Survivors include his wife: Bessie Lee Coon, Elba; two daughters: Minnie Lee Coon, Annie Lee (Leroy) Sheffield, all of Ft. Walton Beach, Fla.; one son: Charlie C. (Alice Muri) Coon, Dozier, Ala.; one sister: Lizzie Pearl Tyson, Elba; six grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; four sisters-in-law: Annie Mae Coon, Opp; Ollie Bell Jones, Graceville, Fla.; Ida Lue Wright, Andalusia; Essie Mae Mimes, Boston, Mass.

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# LIFESTYLES

## Martin - Sasser united in holy matrimony



Mrs. William Clayton Martin

Amy Lee Sasser and William Clayton Martin were married Jan. 9, 1999 at five in the afternoon at Shiloh Baptist Church in Elba with pastor Larry Wise officiating.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Randy E. Sasser of Elba, and the groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. James R. Martin Jr. of Auburn.

The bride was given in marriage by her father.

Matron of honor was Chassidy Sasser, sister of the bride. Bridesmaids were Brandie Mann, Penny Walker and Marie Flowers.

Flower girls were Autumn Sasser and Harley Sasser.

The best man was Clint Martin, brother of the groom. Groomsmen were Charlie Driggers, Jack Windham and Chris Flowers.

Ring bearer was Casey Sasser. The ceremony was followed by a reception at the church immediately followed by the ceremony. Amy Baker, Wendy Baker, Aaron Creel, Kayron Whitworth, Anna Head, Heather Dubose, Mandy Pope, Missy McDaniel and Jama Hutchison served the guests.

After a honeymoon in the mountains of Tennessee, the Martins reside in Elba.

## Father-Daughter Cinderella Ball to be held in Enterprise

The 1999 Father-Daughter Cinderella Ball, a fundraiser sponsored by Enterprise Preparatory Academy parents, will be held Saturday, June 19, at 7:30 p.m. at the Enterprise State Junior College Multipurpose Room. "Prince Charming" fathers and their little "Cinderellas" will enjoy an enchanted evening dancing the night away while enjoying lovely refreshments, music and entertainment. Seating is limited so please call soon for your "royal" reservations. For tickets and information, call Sherri Jones at (334)347-0335.

## Regional Grief & Loss Outreach Program to hold volunteer training classes

The Regional Grief & Loss Outreach Program, sponsored in conjunction by Community Care Hospice and AARP, will hold volunteer training classes on June 23-24-25 and 28. This program is for individuals who would like to work with the newly bereaved in the community. For more information, call 347-6846.

## Lynn Weeks awarded Outstanding Graduate Student in Social Science honor at TSUD

Lynn C. Weeks was awarded "Outstanding Graduate Student in Social Science" by Troy State University Dothan at the Spring Honors Convocation held May 7, 1999.

Mrs. Weeks was selected for the award by her professors and presented the award by TSUD president, Dr. Michael Malone. While working toward her Master's Degree in Social Science Education from 1996 to 1998, Mrs. Weeks maintained a 4.0 GPA as well as excelling in her classroom at Elba High where she teaches seventh grade World History and eighth grade U.S. History.

Mrs. Weeks has taught at Elba High School for 13 years. She is presently the chairperson of the History Department, coordinator of Homecoming activities, sponsor of the Social Studies Team, Voter Registrar for Seniors, and Boys and Girls Golf Team coach.

Mrs. Weeks is currently completing her School Counseling certification and plans to begin work on the Education Specialist degree in Counseling and Psychology this summer.

## Magnolia Home and Garden Club holds May meeting at Aunt B's

Gardener's Creed. Carolyn Brunson, vice-president, officiated at the ceremony for the Installation of Officers for 1999-2000. Those installed were: President - Addie Belle Martin; Vice-President - Gene Kennett; Recording Secretary - Sybil Hahn; Corresponding Secretary - Addie Newman; Treasurer - June Thompson; Parliamentarian - Alline Lee; and Historian - Lurline Martin.

Others attending were: Margaret Hasty, Mary Davis, and guest Thelma Hudson.

The president led in the business session.

Interested individuals may telephone KEMP at 774-9965, John R. Fuller at 347-4213, John R. Wallace at 347-0661 or John M. Bryan at 684-9327.

The meeting is open to all active and former SAR members as well as any area male resident who is descended from a Revolutionary War patriot and would like information regarding membership.

Chapter President Richard A. Kemp II said, "There is a standing invitation to all who may qualify to seek SAR membership."

Aid is offered in preparation of applications and when possible the reputation to locate documentation required. Kemp said.

Members of the Wiregrass Chapter, Sons of the American Revolution, will have a business meeting starting at noon June 17 in P.O. Folks Restaurant on the by-pass in Enterprise.

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Mrs. Hudson

## Mrs. Lois Hudson celebrates 90th birthday

Mrs. Lois Hudson celebrated her 90th birthday on March 9, 1999. She is the wife of the late Louis Hudson and the mother of four children, Mildred Cosby, Dohan, Trudie Bryan, Leroy Hudson and Harold Hudson, all of Elba. Mrs. Hudson, better known as Moma Hut, has 10 grandchildren, 22 great-grandchildren and six great-great-grandchildren.

Moma Hut celebrated her birthday in the home of her daughter, Mrs. Wildon Bryan, with a grand lunch enjoyed by family and friends. Her family thanks her for being a wonderful mother and a real Grand Mother.

## Area students receive certificates from Wallace Community College

Jacqueline P. Jackson and Natasha Tillis, both of Elba, were among the students receiving certificates during the recent spring quarter commencement exercises at Wallace Community College in Dothan.

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## Summer Library Program for children to begin soon

Fasten your seatbelt! We're going on a journey at the Elba Public Library. "Reading Road Trip" is the theme for the 1999 Summer Library Program. A series of six programs for young people grades 2-5 began on Thursday, June 3. Activities will include: simulation of an assembly line and body shop for constructing and repairing cars, games, creative movement, art activities, music and surprise guests. Christina Cooper Brown will be the tour guide for this exciting journey to grab your maps and follow us. Children may begin signing up for the program by contacting the library at 897-6921.

## Blood Drive to be held in Opp

The American Red Cross Blood Services Gulf Coast Region will host a blood drive in the Opp community on Friday, June 25, from 11 a.m. until 4 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church in Opp. All blood types are needed.

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## The Anchoermen to be in concert at Enterprise First Assembly of God

Enterprise First Assembly of God will be the setting of a concert on Saturday, June 26, at 7 p.m., featuring the Anchoermen.

Since their formation in 1979, the Anchoermen have become one of Gospel Music's most requested groups. Pastor Ted Satterfield invites the public to attend this special evening. There is no admission charge - a love offering will be received. A nursery will be provided. Call the church office at 347-8447 for more information.

## Deadline For Church News Is MONDAY!!

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## Investment Praying

"Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God." (Philippians 4:6)

Life moves at warp speed. Our frantic, fast-paced lives leave us feeling drained. We're even too busy for prayer, the very thing that can replenish us. The saying is true: "Hurry is the death of prayer." Lives without prayer are lives without power. Too many of us in the fire can put out the fire.

You might be thinking, Oh boy, here it comes. One more reminder of a responsibility that I am not fulfilling. One more evidence that my Christian life doesn't measure up; one more demand that I don't need.

Your friends say, "Spend time with us." Your parents say, "Come and see us." Your boss says, "Come in early and stay late." Prayer becomes just one more obligation to fulfill, something else to tap your time and energy. God never intended prayer to produce more stress but instead to reduce it. Your perspective about prayer makes the difference.

Think of prayer as an investment, not an expense. When the farmer buys seed, he doesn't view it as an expense but an investment. Sure, it costs him something, but eventually it will produce more than he paid for it. Martin Luther is credited with saying, "I have so much to do that I must spend the first three hours each day in prayer." A well-known pastor once reminded me that we are "too busy not to pray!"

Making contact with God in prayer sharpens us spiritually. The result is more power and effectiveness. God has been telling us this for years. Ecclesiastes 10:10 says, "If the axe is dull and he does not sharpen its edge, then he must exert more strength."

Since prayer is an investment, here are some high-yield prayer tips to include in your spiritual portfolio:

- 1) Use language you are comfortable with.
- 2) Get away from distractions to pray.
- 3) Begin your day with prayer.
- 4) Keep a journal of your prayer experiences.
- 5) Strive for balance. Pray for different things and needs each day.

God's promise to us from His word is peace of heart and mind if we will take the time to invest in prayer. (Philippians 4:7).

## NOTICE

If anyone has friends or loved ones buried in Bethlehem Primitive Baptist Cemetery, the church needs your donation to help with the upkeep of the cemetery.

There is a trust fund for the cemetery set up at SouthTrust Bank in Elba. Please make your donations at the bank or send to Lena Farris Kendrick, Apt. 4, Elba, AL 36323.

## Rev. Jean Givensto be guest speaker at Springhill Emmanuel Holiness Church

Springhill Emmanuel Holiness Church, located on Hwy. 167 past Ward's Grocery Store, will host Pastor Jean Givensto as guest speaker on Thursday (TODAY), June 10, and Friday, June 11, at 7 p.m. each night. Givensto is the pastor of Bethel Full Gospel of Montgomery. Everyone is invited to bring their church friends and neighbors to this special event.

## Mt. Calvary Missionary Baptist to have Bible School in July

Get aboard the Vacation Bible School Train for loads of fun at Mount Calvary Missionary Baptist Church in Elba. VBS will be held July 12, 13 and 14 from 9 a.m. until Noon each day. The church is located on County Road 528 and everyone is welcome.

## Calvary Baptist Church plans gospel singing

Calvary Baptist Church in Brantley will have a gospel singing on Saturday, June 12, beginning at 7 p.m. The featured group will be the "Waymakers." Everyone is invited.

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# COMMUNITY NEWS

Wiregrass Hospice  
"New Beginnings"  
Support Group to meet

Wiregrass Hospice of Enterprise will begin the "New Beginnings" Support Group on Monday, June 14. This is a five week educational grief group designed to help those who have lost a loved one. Topics will include the stages of grief, loneliness in grief, unresolved grief issues plus much, much more.

The group will be offered from 6-7 p.m. on June 14, June 21, June 28, July 12 and July 19. The group will meet at the Wiregrass Hospice Office located in Colony Square at 557 Glover Avenue in Enterprise. There is no cost and anyone who has lost a loved one is welcome to attend. For more information please call the Bereavement Department at 1-800-626-1101.

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Look Who's  
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Happy Birthday  
from  
Mom and Dad!

## Coffee County Vegetable Tour To be Held June 10

The Coffee County Vegetable Tour will be held on Thursday (TODAY), June 10, at Joey Powell's farm. Will meet at the "Pea Patch," Powell's newly opened fresh produce stand. This is located on Highway 27, approximately 7 miles south of Enterprise. It is 1/4 mile south of Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church. The meeting will last from 10 a.m. until about 12 Noon. Dr. Joe Kemble and Dr. Eric Simmon, Auburn University Vegetable Specialists, will be speaking.

## Enterprise Chamber of Commerce to hold Health Fair

The annual Enterprise Chamber of Commerce Health Fair for 1999 will be held on Saturday, June 12, between 8 a.m. and 12 Noon at the Morgan Square Shopping Mall on Rucker Boulevard. Health Fair '99 will feature many free health care services and screenings, including free medication consultations for those who bring in all their medicines or a list of drug names, strength and frequency taken. A blood chemistry profile will be available at a charge of \$10. Those receiving the blood test should not have food or beverages after mid-night on Friday the 11th. A PSA blood test for prostate cancer will

also be available for a fee of \$15. Other free testing will include: blood pressure, height and weight checks; blood sugar and cholesterol screening; vision screening; catraacts and glaucoma screening; foot examinations by a podiatrist; drug consultations with a registered pharmacist; hearing screening; body fat and nutritional analysis; lung function test; screening EKG's. There will also be numerous health education displays and exhibits available to increase community knowledge of health and fitness. For more information on Health Fair '99, call Eloise Savy at 393-8743.

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## 24th Annual World Championship Domino Tournament to be held July 9-10

The 24th annual World Championship Domino Tournament is set for Andalusia July 9-10 with hundreds of players expected to compete for the title of world champion.

Hosted by the Andalusia Rotary Club, the two-day tournament will draw players from Alabama and across the south and midwest. Players will compete for trophies and cash totaling over \$30,000. The tournament site will be at the Kiwanis Fair Complex in Andalusia, and there will also be an arts and crafts fair sponsored by the Andalusia Pilot Club, and World Championship Domino Tournament Queen and Covington County Junior Miss Alexa Jones will preside over

opening ceremonies.

The singles tournament starts at 8 a.m. on Friday followed by a singles round robin at 1 p.m. The Fantastic Domino Car Sweepstakes starts at 7 p.m. On Saturday, a draw for partners doubles tournament starts at 8

a.m. followed by a doubles round robin at 1 p.m. Finals in adult singles and doubles begins at 7 p.m. Awards will be presented around 9 p.m. Saturday.

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## Woodmen & Baptist Brotherhood join forces

Members of the Woodmen of the World (WOW) Lodge #1932 and Coffee County Baptist Brotherhood Association recently completed a much needed construction project at the Coffee County Training Center in Enterprise.

WOW Lodge member and chairman of trustees, Mack Westbrook, assisted by Kenneth Ward, president of the Coffee County Baptist Brotherhood, coordinated the project with the two organizations providing the labor work force.

The training center facility for the mentally handicapped adults is located near the Enterprise Airport and is a brick building which formerly housed the Enterprise Police Academy.

The construction/renovation project consisted of adding a portico on the west side of the building where the vans could load and unload passengers (especially those in wheelchairs) in rainy weather.

The large garage in the center of the building was converted into a new dining/multi-purpose room with the two large garage doors being removed and replaced with a wide door and three windows.

Access to the kitchen from this area was made by making an opening in the brick wall and installing a door. Several clubs and businesses - Windham Lumber, Rawls Hardware, Enterprise Altrusia Club



Pictured above are several of the men who took part in the renovation project. They are (l-r): kneeling Ben and Jason Ryals; standing - Chip Westbrook and Mack Westbrook, Jim Gilmer, Hayes Ammons, Billy Joe Richburg, and Fred Duff.

and Home Builders Association of Enterprise - donated money and materials for the project.

Members of WOW Lodge 1932 located in Elba hosted a fish fry on June 4 at the WOW Lodge and Office as a gesture of appreciation to all who had a part in this project.

Those participating in this worthwhile project were: Billy Bedsole, Danny Bourne, Dwan Davis, Larry Murphy, Daron Maloy, Mack Westbrook, Jason Ryals, Ben Ryals, Charles Whatley, Chip Westbrook, Mark Ward, Kenneth Ward, Rev.

Danny Wiggins, Lloyd Helms, Nick Shepard, Billy Joe Richburg, Fred Duff, Jim Gilmer, Danny Jernigan, Hayes Ammons, Doug Dalrymple, and Ralph Sharpless.

A special thanks from WOW lodge 1932 and WOW representatives Chip and Linda Westbrook for a job well done.

An Open House will be held at the Center on Sunday, June 27, from 3 to 4 p.m. for friends to come see the new additions. For more information on this event, contact Jim and Nell Gilmer at 893-2182.

## Educational excellence for all children

by U.S. Secretary of Education  
**Richard W. Riley**

Ask most American parents what they want for their children, and the first answer is likely to be a good education. But how can you know if your child's school is really performing well? Recently, we proposed "The Educational Excellence for All Students Act," which would go a long way toward addressing some of your most important school-related concerns. How good is my child's school? States and school districts would be required to give all parents annual report cards that include essential information on student achievement, teacher qualifications, class size, attendance and graduation rates. How safe is my child's school? Schools would give parents an annual report of any gun, drug or violent incidents, and under the current Safe and Drug-Free Schools and Communities Program, school districts would be expected to adopt only proven anti-drug and violence prevention programs, to intervene with troubled youth, and to expand character education programs that help children learn the difference between right and wrong.

How can my child's school be improved? There would be special attention to low-performing schools - intensive teacher training and extra after school and summer help for students trying to catch up, based on proven school reform methods. (Nineteen states have already shown success by taking such actions. President Clinton's budget includes \$200 million to help more states and school districts make these important reforms.) How can classroom discipline be improved? States and school districts would adopt fair, consistent discipline policies, and students who are suspended or expelled from school would receive appropriate supervision, counseling and other services. How can the

quality of teaching be improved? States would test all new teachers to make sure they have the skills and knowledge they need to teach the subjects they'll be teaching. This would help to make sure that no teachers are teaching "out of field," such as social studies teachers teaching math or science, as happens all too often. And there would be new efforts to recruit, retain and support good teachers, especially in high-poverty schools. How can we get smaller classes in my child's school? Under this proposal 100,000 new teachers would be hired, allowing class size in grades 1-3 to be reduced to a national average of 18 students. This would give teachers more time to give young students the individualized attention they need to get off to a good start.

What about after school time? Funding for quality after-school, weekend, and summer programs would triple. More than 1 million young people would receive expanded learning opportunities in academics, computers and the arts, and enjoy healthy recreational opportunities. I want to challenge my child to do better. Can I expect the school to do the same? All students would be expected to show that they are meeting high standards of excellence at key points in their education, including graduation from high school. In addition, the practice of social promotion would be ended, not by holding students back indefinitely, but by providing qualified teachers, meaningful after-school and summer school programs, smaller classes, and other ways to help students make the grade. I look forward to working with Congress to pass the "Educational Excellence for All Children Act." I believe it will make a real difference. But as parents and family members, you also have an important role to play. Research shows that your personal involvement can make all the differ-

ence - read to young children, share and discuss books with older children, and encourage reading through the summer months. Check homework every night. Stay in touch with teachers and principals. Conversation - about values, the dangers of drugs, alcohol and tobacco, the everyday hurts and fears of growing up. Call 1-800-USA-LEARN for more ideas about ways to become more involved in improving your child's education. Every child can learn and every adult can make a difference in the life of a child. We must expect much of our children - and be prepared to give much in return for their success.

## Service hours by Elba Work Release Inmates shows increase during May

by Linda Hodge, Staff Writer

The number of service hours provided on community projects by Department of Corrections inmates from the Elba Work Release facility continued to reflect an increase during the month of May.

A total of 238 inmates worked for 1,832 hours on projects in Elba, Kinston, Enterprise, Daleville and with the Alabama Forestry Commission and Adopt-A-Mile program, according to information released by Dewayne Estes, warden of the Elba Work Release facility. Agencies within the local cities requesting the assistance of the work release inmates included: the Elba Police Department, City of Elba, Elba Recycling, Elba National Guard, Elba Recreation Department, Elba High School, National Guard, Daleville National Guard, and City of Daleville.

Various tasks were completed for the above mentioned agencies which included: the Elba Police Dept. using 19 inmates for washing cars, cleaning the office and general

labor; the City of Elba used 35 inmates for street and general labor work; Elba Recycling used 16 inmates for general labor work; the Elba National Guard used 15 inmates for maintenance and cleaning projects; the Elba Recreation Dept. used 10 inmates to clean the city pool; Elba High School used 3 inmates to help cut the grass; the Town of Kinston used 27 inmates for garbage pickup and general labor work; the Alabama Forestry Commission used 30 inmates for cleaning state parks and picking up pine cones; the Enterprise National Guard used 20 inmates and the Daleville National Guard used 13 inmates for maintenance and cleaning projects; the City of Daleville used 40 inmates for general labor projects; and the Adopt-A-Mile program used 10 inmates to help with picking up paper.

By the end of the month, these 238 work release inmates had provided services equaling a dollar amount of \$9,434.80 in the 1,832 hours they worked for the various area agencies, according to the information released by Estes.

## Kinston Elementary School Honor Roll 4th Nine Weeks

### "A" Honor Roll

1st Grade  
Brandon Balaski, Jake Blackmon, Lee Devine, Hannah Forehand, Gavin Free, Behtany Holley, Amber Jacobs, Ric Johnson, Joseph Nobles, Kallie Rhodes, Erin Shaw, Amber Smith, Abby Williams

2nd Grade  
Dalton Fuller, Wesley Hunko, Alex Kelley, Holli Kilcrease, Calina Norris, Erick Odom, Tyler Wilson, Eric Wise

3rd Grade  
Whitney Davis, Aaron Jacobs, Ashley E. Kelley, John Moss, Kourtney Pierce, Caitlin Tidwell, Beth Vaughan, Christie Whigham, Monica Wilford

4th Grade  
Joshua Grice, Courtney Weeks

5th Grade  
Ashley Carter, Josh Driver, Brittany Hunko, Casey Mack

6th Grade  
Breeann Hattaway, Brittany Holley, Tiffany Wilson

### "A-B" Honor Roll

1st Grade  
Clisea Allen, Alissa Atwell, Forest Brown, Ben Devine, Jacob Holtum, Kit Johnson, Taylor Lentini, Amber Shehee, Chelsea Weatherington, Marka Whitehurst

2nd Grade  
Crystal Baker, Taylor Davis, Tracy Edwards, Maeghann Hawthorne, AJ Johnson, Allen Mack, Caleb Norris, Ashton Parker, Emily Parker, Anthony Pezza, Kevin Rachel, Eric Reese, Jessica Reeves, Christopher Scofield, Jessie Sessions, Lane Taylor, Nickolas Weeks, Judd Williamson

3rd Grade  
Suzanne Chance, Clay Craig, Brittany Holley, Blake Johnson, Deanna Manning, Heather Marlowe, Ashley McCall, Samantha Peacock, Lance Rushing

Wesley Hunko, AJ Johnson, Latasha Jones, Holli Kilcrease, Caleb Norris, Calina Norris, Anthony Pezza, Christopher Scofield, Jessie Sessions, Eric Wise

3rd Grade  
Suzanne Chance, Brittany Dubose, Aaron Jacobs, Ashley McCall, John Moss, Samantha Peacock, Kourtney Pierce, Brandon Reese

4th Grade  
Jonathan Edwards, Ashley Gass, Bradley Hattaway, John Jones, Jay McCrummen, Lee McCrummen, Kallie Sanders, Lashae Smith, Zach Spann, Wesley Stokes

5th Grade  
Jamey Berry, Bradley Chamblee, AJ Davis, Blaine Drury, Ashley Dubose, Josh Holtum, Brittany Hunko, Casey Mack, Amber McCall, Joey McCrummen, Mindy Wise

6th Grade  
Breeann Hattaway, Kristen Hunt, Amy Mascorro, Sumer McDonald, Leann Newell, Brittany Scofield, Tana Smith, Lee Watson

2nd Grade  
Tracy Edwards, Dalton Fuller,

### Perfect Attendance

Kindergarten  
Hunter Anderson, Timothy Ballard, Allison Bess, Janna Pierce, Ashley Snell, Daniel Williams

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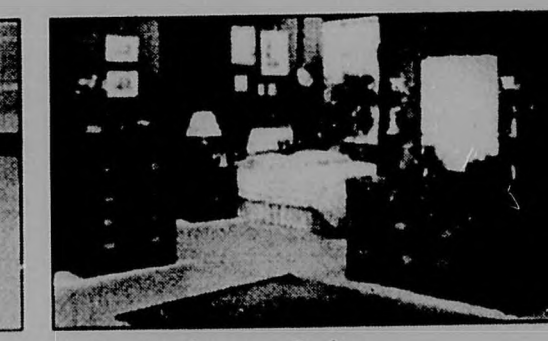
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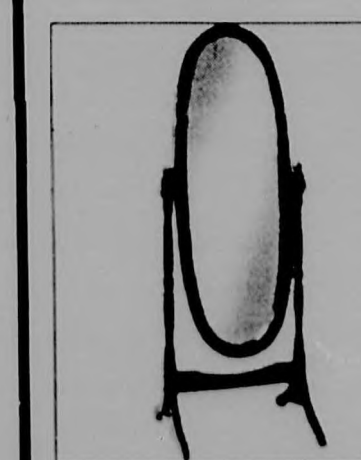
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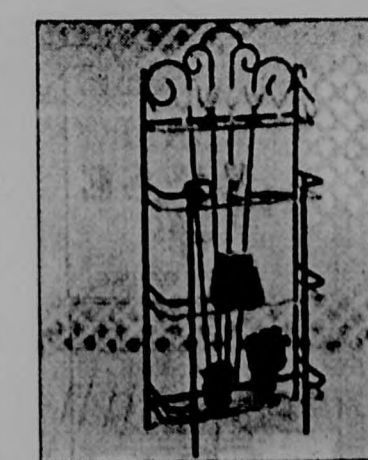
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**THE PRESSBOX**  
By Ricky Mularz

The girls softball season will draw to an end this week here in Elba, and since the city pool is now open, it is ending at just the right time for Melanie. We have always had a rule in the Mularz house that swimming and softball don't mix, and over the years the girls have never been allowed to swim on the day of practice or a game. That rule caused a little grief at times, and will for a few more weeks during All-Star practice, but soon the city pool will be the #1 stop for Mom's taxi.

**CLEANING OFF THE DESK....**

\*\*\* A lot of people think that the youth baseball and softball seasons end too early, but any coach can tell you that once school gets out, the number of players coming to practice and games dwindles drastically, and such is true once again this season as many teams are having to find "pick-ups" at the parks to have enough players to field a team. I know that youngsters like to visit relatives and also understand that once school is out playing ball and practicing is almost as bad as going to school. One coach suggested last week that next year the season needs to start earlier, with only one game a week per team, and only one game per night to allow the players to get home early, until school is almost out. There is never a fool proof solution, but that is one that will be studied!

\*\*\* The All-Star teams will be selected soon in all the baseball and softball leagues, and this year the selection process will be changed in a never-ending attempt to find the best way, or at least a better way of picking the All-Star teams. The baseball leagues will pick all-stars through a ballot, with coaches voting on the league's best players on a point system, while over in softball the head coach of the All-Star team will receive nominations and then choose the team, with a guarantee that all teams are represented. If you have any better way, let us know before next season and we'll give it some thought.

\*\*\* The Suns, a team in the Elba Senior Girls Softball League, participated in a youth softball tournament last weekend in Enterprise and won five straight games to win the tourney championship in the "16 and Under" division. There were 14 teams in the double-elimination event, and the local girls walked off the field with the championship trophy around 12:45 AM on Sunday morning, after playing their first game Saturday morning at 8:00 AM. The girls were tired and sleepy, but excited about winning the tournament. Good job girls, you represented the league well!

\*\*\* The NCAA voted last week to allow its member schools to play a 12th regular season game in the 2002, 2003, 2008, 2013 and 2014 seasons. The reason for the change was simple - more money for the colleges!

Florida has already scheduled a 12th game against Miami for the 2002 and 2003 dates, while Alabama's Mike Dufosse stated he wanted the extra game to be a home game, and not a game in which the Tide would have to travel on a home-and-home basis. No matter how the coaches look at it, it means more money for the school, and that is the bottom line.

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**Win five straight at Enterprise tourney****Suns bring home tourney crown**

The Suns, of Elba, swept through five games without a loss last weekend to claim the championship of the Enterprise Youth Softball Invitational, sponsored by the Enterprise Department of Leisure Services.

The Suns competed in the "16 and Under" division of the 14-team tournament and outscored their opponents 63-7 in five games to take home the title.

Following are highlights of the tournament action:

**SUNS 13 ANGELS 0**

The Suns managed only two hits in the opening two innings, but then broke loose and plated 11 runs in the next two innings to post a 13-0, five inning win over the Angels, from Geneva. The Suns took advantage of errors to grab a 2-0 lead after two innings, then bunched six hits in the third to stretch their lead to 9-0, and used a three-run homer by Aubretta Williams in the fourth to put the win in the books.

Melissa Mularz and Michelle Lewis both got 2 hits and knocked in 2 runs to lead the Suns at the plate, while Aubretta Williams had 3 rbi's on one big hit. Katie Vaughan, Melissa Mularz, Aubretta Williams, Brittney Mobley and Raean McCollough all scored 2 runs. The Suns defense allowed only two hits and never allowed an Angel runner to reach second base.

**SUNS 17 LADY TIGERS 4**

The Suns pulled out to an early 7-0 lead and turned back a mild rally to name the Lady Tigers of Samson, 17-4. Melissa Mularz got two early hits to drive in two runs, and Roshanda McKinnon ripped a three-run homer to lift the Suns to an early 7-0 lead, only to see the Lady Tigers pull within 7-4 in the bottom of the third. While the Suns' defense allowed only three hits over the final four innings, their bats woke up and paved the way to the win, with Raean McCollough and Rachel Bludworth getting home runs.

Melissa Mularz got 3 hits and scored 3 runs and collected 2 rbi's to lead the Suns at the plate, while Aubretta Williams, Michelle Lewis and Raean McCollough all added 2 hits and knocked in 2 runs. Rachel Bludworth scored 4 runs and drove in 2 runs, and Brittney Mobley

**Dixie Youth & Dixie Minor have busy week**

The Elba Dixie Youth and Dixie Minor Baseball Leagues had a busy week, with the Phillies making noise in Dixie Youth action and the Marlins continuing to lead the pack in Dixie Minor.

Following are highlights of last week's action:

**\*\*\* MARLINS 16 BRAVES 4**

The Marlins scored runs in bunches to pound the Braves 16-4, in Dixie Minor action. The Marlins trailed 2-0 after the top of the first, but scored seven runs in the bottom of the frame to take the lead and rolled to the win. Chase Boutwell got 3 hits and scored 3 runs to lead the Marlins, while Stephen Driggers added 1 hit and scored 2 runs, and both Matthew Brunson and Nicholas Nelson scored 3 runs. Bobby Hudson, Eric Butts, Jahmal Brown and Cory Miller all scored a run for the Braves.

\*\*\* **AS 14 BLUE JAYS 4** - The A's jumped ahead early and never looked back to rip the Blue Jays 14-4, in Dixie Minor action. The A's



**DIAMOND DOLLS WIN ELBA TOURNAMENT**...The Diamond Dolls, of Enterprise, won the championship of the Elba Youth Softball Tournament, held on May 22, in Elba. Team members include Jessica Barnard, Sharde Williams, Mandy Love, Tara McGrath, Cassi Whittaker, Candice Whitehurst, Christy Grimes, Shantecha Williams, Courtney Barnes, Tiffany McGrath, Susan Spiegner, Kerri Myers and Coaches A.L. Barnard and Boots Love.



**TOURNAMENT CHAMPIONS**...showing off their trophies and individual awards from last week's Enterprise Youth Invitational are (front row, l-r) Raean McCollough, Devri Kilcrease, Brittney Mobley, Tara Grant, Denise Cooper, Katie Vaughan, (standing, l-r) Melissa Mularz, Roshanda McKinnon, Coach Ricky Mularz, Aubretta Williams, Rachel Bludworth, Michelle Lewis, Casey Skinner, Lakia Flowers and Coach Earl McCollough.

crossed the plate twice.

**SUNS 10 THUNDER 2**

The Suns spotted the Enterprise Thunder an early 1-0 lead and then came storming back to post a 10-2 win. The Suns managed only one hit over the first three innings and trailed 1-0 heading into the top of the fourth, but grabbed the lead at 3-1 in the inning as Aubretta Williams

knocked in two runs with a triple, and then scored on a sacrifice fly by Roshanda McKinnon. The Suns lead stood at 4-2 after five innings; however, their defense shut down the Thunder over the final two frames and their bats finally woke up as the Suns scored six runs in the final two frames to blow the game open.

Melissa Mularz got 3 hits and scored 2 runs and collected 2 rbi's to lead the Suns at the plate, while Aubretta Williams added 2 hits, scored 2 runs and knocked in 2 runs, and Katie Vaughan also got 2 hits and scored 2 runs.

**SUNS 13 WICKSBURG 1**

The Suns jumped out to a 6-0 lead in the bottom of the first inning and coasted in with a 13-1, five-inning win over the Wicksburg Gold, in the winner's bracket finals. The Suns bunched six straight hits in the bottom of the first to take command

early, with the key hits being a double by Aubretta Williams and a two-out single by Casey Skinner. The Suns added 4 runs on six hits in the third inning to stretch their lead to 10-0, and moved on top 13-0 in the fourth on a long three-run homer by Aubretta Williams as they rolled to the win.

Aubretta Williams got 3 hits, scored 3 runs and collected 5 rbi's to lead the Suns to the win, while Brittney Mobley and Raean McCollough both added 2 hits and knocked in 2 runs, and Roshanda McKinnon had 2 hits. Melissa Mularz, Roshanda McKinnon and Michelle Lewis all scored 2 runs.

**SUNS 10 THUNDER 2**

The Suns pulled ahead early and then pulled away to post a 10-0, five inning win over the Enterprise Thunder, to take home the tourney championship. The Suns jumped ahead 1-0 in the first inning on a long solo home-run by Rachel Bludworth, then moved on top 5-0 in the third when Melissa Mularz knocked in 2 runs with a single, and Aubretta Williams followed with a two-run homer. The Suns ended the game in the bottom of the fifth as they bunched out seven hits, with Casey Skinner delivering the game-ending hit that knocked in Roshanda McKinnon.

**Dixie Youth & Dixie Minor have busy week**

Brewers saw a 7-0 lead in the top of the fourth turn into an 8-7 deficit in the bottom of the fifth after a Phillies uprising; however, the Phillies scored 2 runs in their final at-bat to escape with the win. Heath Parker and Aaron Harselton both got 2 hits and scored 2 runs to spark the Brewers, while Clark Skinner added 1 hit and scored 2 runs. T.J. Winters and Hayden Osborn both got 1 hit and scored 1 run for the Phillies.

\*\*\* **MARLINS 16 RAYS 1** - The Marlins scored almost at will to dump the Rays 16-1, in Dixie Minor action. The Rays scored 1 run in the top of the first to take a 1-0 lead, but it was all Marlins from that point on as they coasted in with the easy win.

\*\*\* **INDIANS 12 D'BACKS 9** - The Indians pulled ahead early and held on late once again to claim a wild 12-9 win over the Diamondbacks, in Dixie Youth action. The Indians jumped out to an early 12-3 lead early and then survived a late D'Back rally to post the win. Mason Gully got 4 hits and scored 3 runs to lead the Indians, while LaRay Williams added 3 hits and scored 3 runs. Drew Donaldson got 3 hits and scored 3 runs to lead the Indians, while Matt Creech added 3 hits and scored 2 runs and Kyle Cheesbrough added 2 hits and scored 2 runs.

\*\*\* **DODGERS 13 ANGELS 10** - The Dodgers pushed across 13 runs in the top of the seventh inning to post an exciting 13-10 win over the Angels, in Dixie Youth action. The Dodgers owned a 4-0 lead after three innings, but saw the Angels take the lead and then had to stage a late rally to pull out the wild win. Luke Simmons got 4 hits and scored 3 runs to lead the Dodgers, while Tad Adams and B.J. Berry both got 3 hits and scored 2 runs. Wesley McCormick added 3 hits and scored 2 runs.

\*\*\* **BREWERS 9 PHILLIES 8** - The Brewers staged a late rally to escape with a 9-8 win over the Phillies, in Dixie Youth action. The

## SPORTS

**Private schools dominate poll****St. Pauls named state "All-Sports" champion**

The Birmingham News announced recently that St. Paul Episcopal High School, in Mobile, had won the 1999 All-Sports State Championship for high school across the state of Alabama.

St. Paul's won four girls state championships and two boys titles to claim the coveted All-Sports crown, followed by Briarwood Christian, of Birmingham, and Hoover.

The points were based on state finish in the 20 state championship sports sponsored by the Alabama High School Athletic Association, with 12 points for a state title, 9 points for second, 8 points for third, etc. Points were awarded to the Top

10 finishers in most sports and the Top 8 in sports that had playoff rounds.

In individual classes, Hoover topped 6A, John Carroll Catholic led 5A, St. Paul's was on top in 4A, Briarwood led in 3A, Atlantam was on top in 2A and Houston Academy was tops in 1A.

Following are the "Top 10" in each classification, with points totals:

**CLASS 1A** - (1) Houston Academy 53, (2) Madison Academy 37.5, (3) Donoho 37, (4) St. Jude 32.5, (5) G.W. Long 27, (6) Westminster 26.5, (7) Westbrook 26, (8) Courtland 24.5, (9) Athens Bible 24 and (9) Carrollton 24.

**CLASS 2A** - (1) Atlantam 70, (2) Randolph 56, (3) Mars Hill 51, (4) Alabama Christian 44.5, (5) Southern Choctaw 25, (6) Hatton 23.5, (7) Cold Springs 23, (7) Hazelwood 23, (9) West Morgan 22.5 and (10) Geraldine 21.

**CLASS 3A** - (1) Briarwood 123.5, (2) UMS-Wright 109.5, (3) Montgomery Academy 71, (4) Trinity 55.5, (5) Pleasant Valley 40.5, (6) St. James 31, (7) Colbert County 29, (8) Falkville 25, (9) Lauderdale County 19.5 and (10) Randolph County 17.5.

**CLASS 4A** - (1) St. Pauls 140, (2) Madison County 56, (3) Lawrence County 44, (4) Doshier 36, (5) Hamilton 31, (6) Leeds 30.5, (7)

Hayden Smith and Trey Knight both scored 3 runs for the Phillies, while Kyle Roehler, Brandon Lee and Forrest Wilkinson all scored 2 runs. Ryan Pope and Andrew Head both scored 3 runs for the Dodgers, while Aaron Drowery and Dylan Tillis scored 2 runs each.

\*\*\* **MARINERS 23 RAYS 18** - Jacob Pettie, Jonathan Bryant and Justin Mallory, Bradley Wilson and Richard Cooks, while Jonathan Bryant scored 3 runs for the Mariners and Kendall Chappell and Jonathan Maddox scored 2 runs each.

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## AREA FARM NEWS



The Coffee County Cotton Variety Demonstration was recently planted in Goodman by LeVall and Delone Wallace. Shown from left to right are LeVall Wallace, Delone Wallace, Bibb Farris and Dale Monks, Auburn Cotton Specialist. Cotton varieties were sponsored by the nine leading seed companies.

The Coffee County Cotton Variety Demonstration plot was planted by LeVall and Delone Wallace on April 21 in the Goodman Community of Coffee County. To see this plot, take County Road 625 going south of Goodman. Go two miles past the store and take County Road 633 to the left. The variety plot is immediately on the left. I would like to thank the cotton companies for sponsoring the seed. They are David Marshall with PayMaster, Tom Dyess with Terra International, Phil Shelley with Stoneville, Andy and Rocky Sumlin with Dixie Ag, Tommy Gibson with Fiber Max, Rob Logan and Ray Kirk with Agri Pro, Randy Morgan with Sure Grow, Al Wright and Tom Hagood with PhytoGen, and Bob Logan with Deltapine. There are 29 different varieties in this demonstration plot. I think it will be helpful for our farmers to see how these varieties perform in our area. The field received a few inches of rain a few days after planting and the field came up with an excellent stand. A field tour will be held in late July. I would also like to thank Bibb Farris and Dale Monks for their valuable help in planting this plot.

### Roundup Ready cotton planted extensively this year

Richard Petcher

County Extension Agent

A large percentage of cotton acres this year were planted with Roundup Ready cotton.

Roundup can be applied to this cotton broadcast over the top of the cotton. It is applied any time from ground cracking up until the fourth true leaf stage only. This is actually before the fifth true leaf reaches the size of a quarter. Roundup can be post directed after the fourth true leaf stage. Applying over the top past the fourth true leaf stage may result in boll shed, delayed maturity and possible yield loss.

The rate of use is 1-2 pints of Roundup Ultra. Its surfactant is needed. For larger weeds, especially morning glory, nutsedge, sicklepod or Bermuda grass or in times of drought stress use the 2-pint rate. For extra burn on these weeds you may add 2 lb. of a 99% pure spray grade Ammonium Sulfate.

Many distributors are selling a liquid formulation. Use their recommended rate. Best control is achieved when weeds are small and there is moisture and weeds are

### Weed control recommended for pastures and hay fields

Stan Windham

County Extension Agent

In the last several weeks we have had a considerable number of calls regarding weed control for pastures and hay fields. Some of the fields are newly established and others are fields that have been around for years and years. Each situation is handled differently and there are several chemicals on the market that you can use.

For hay fields, during establishment, 2,4-D Amine is an excellent chemical that will control most annual broadleaf weeds. You can apply it any time during the growing season when weeds are 6 inches tall or less. Sometimes you have to repeat applications and be sure to watch your drift from the hay field or pasture into a crop field.

Another product we have had numerous questions about is Grazon P+D. Grazon is a chemical that should be applied with a non-ionic surfactant. Applications with Grazon should be made only to permanent grass pasture and hay fields. You do not want to plant any other crops on treated land for at least two years. Grazon is a restricted use pesticide that gives broad spectrum control of broadleaf weeds and some residual activity on late germinating weeds. We are a little late in the year to make good use of Grazon, but it is a product that for certain had to kill weeds can provide some measure of control.

There has been some success using Grazon on prickly pear cactus. The results have not been great but there has been some control. Another question centers around the chemical Crossbow. Crossbow controls a number of annual and biennial broadleaf weeds and few

actively growing. It only takes 3 days for cotton to go from the 4th to the 5th true leaf stage. So timing of application is very important. A total of four quarts of Roundup Ultra may be applied from cotyledon to lay by, but do not apply more than 2 pints in a single application. Throughout the season always wait 10 days and at least 2 nodes of growth before applying the next application.

Use no more than four applications per growing season. Not all cotton plants will reach the fourth leaf stage at the same time. Roundup is one of the few chemicals that works well in low volumes. It works well with 5-10 gallons and even lower volumes if using aerial or specialized equipment.

When fields are too wet and will be wet for a prolonged time you may want to consider aerial application. From time to time a grower may want to add a cotton insecticide to this mix. Be sure to read the other products label. Dimethoate for example though may cause a cosmetic burn to the cotton.

One final question centers around Weed Master. Weed Master is a chemical that will control dog fennel, smart weed, horse nettle and just about all the weeds that any of the 2,4-D products will control. In south Alabama its probably best used about the end of May. We have used it on into the summer with a fair amount of success, particularly if you can bushhog the weeds and get them back down low. Weed Master is a mixture of 2,4i and Dicamba. It is an excellent herbicide to use to clean up pastures that can't seem to get a jump on the weeds that are out there.

Another way to control weeds, that we need to mention, particularly on bahia grass pastures, is get your fertility where it belongs and put pressure on the pasture by grazing or mowing. By doing this, bahia, many times, over a period of a season or two, will begin to take the pasture back without any chemical control.

All these chemicals have a place. Each situation particularly in permanent pastures and hay fields is a little bit different. Give me a call if you have any questions that are more specific about your situation and I will be glad to help you out.

### Alabama 4-H Foundation mounts fund raising campaign

Angela Hughes  
County Extension Agent

"What were the lessons that you learned through 4-H?"

That question is being asked of thousands of 4-H alumni, family and friends in a campaign to help generate financial support for 4-H in Alabama. The campaign is being coordinated by the Alabama 4-H Foundation. All funds raised through the campaign will help underwrite young people's participation in 4-H activities in the state.

Those familiar with 4-H have long recognized the impact of the traditional 4-H values of "clearer thinking, greater loyalty, larger service and better living." 4-H has had an outstanding record of success in helping younger generations develop and mature into future leaders in business, education, agriculture, government and other aspects of community life.

According to Dan Smalley, president of the Alabama 4-H Foundation, "Contributions raised

through this campaign will allow kids to participate in 4-H camps, programs and conferences. There is a pressing need for our friends and support 4-H and what 4-H represents. In this era of reduced government funding, we need their aid to help provide a new generation of young people with the leadership skills and theoretical underpinnings that are so necessary in our changing world."

"In 1998, Alabama 4-H touched the lives of 88,000 young people in Alabama. 4-H plays an important role in kids' lives, encouraging the development of character and leadership through a diversity of learning opportunities and experiences.

4-H is a program of the Alabama Cooperative Extension System. Contributions, which are tax-deductible, may be sent to the Alabama 4-H Foundation, 212 Duncan Hall, Auburn, Alabama 36849-5620, or to be used specifically in Coffee County, Coffee County 4-H, 5 County Center, New Brockton, Alabama 36351.

### What does it mean when the doctor tells you your blood pressure is high?

Angela Hughes  
County Extension Agent

When was the last time you had your blood pressure checked? What does it mean when your doctor tells you your blood pressure is high? It means that your heart has to pump harder than it should to get blood to all parts of your body. This raises your chances for a stroke, heart and kidney problems. However, you can lower your blood pressure. Anytime is a good time to begin. Follow these tips:

\* If your doctor says you weigh too much, lose weight. Be more active and eat fewer foods high in salt and sodium. Also, cut

### Free mamograms available in Coffee County

Sandra T. Coffey  
County Extension Coordinator

We in Coffee County have all Opportunity to decrease the severity of breast cancer. Free mamograms are available to those who qualify.

African American women have higher breast cancer death rates than women of any other race. White women have the highest breast cancer incidence than any other racial group. Even though more white women get breast cancer, it is detected at a much earlier stage than the African American women. The death rate among African American is 20 percent higher than white women. The primary reason for these drastic differences in statistics is early detection.

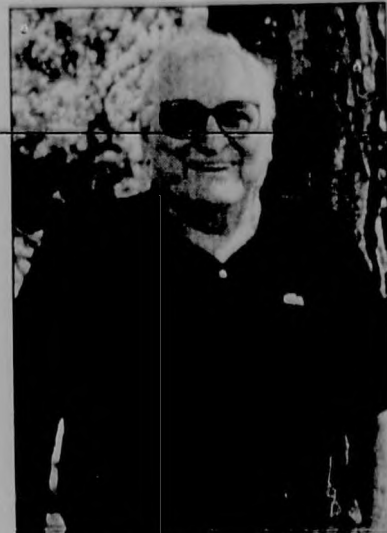
The only clear evidence for reduction in the severity of breast cancer is early detection. Factors associated but not proven in the development of breast cancer are high fat diet, absence of anti-oxidant vitamins (A, C, E), alcohol, and sedentary life style. In the laboratory some of these may alter breast cancer rates but no clear clinical evidence (in humans) exists for any of these. There is hope that soon we will have medications that will prevent breast cancer. The research data is still very preliminary, but hopeful. Tamoxifen may have a role in the future. Recent findings show that it can reduce a woman's chance of getting cancer considerably. There is more research going on now than ever in the past thanks to the elevated awareness created by concerned citizens.

Women need to get annual mamograms, see their doctor, eat a balanced diet, exercise regularly, if you use alcohol, use in moderation and if a supplement is necessary, use a regular multivitamin from the drug store.

Currently, Extension is working with the Alabama Partnership for Cancer Control in Underserved Populations. This program is supported by UAB. Our mission is to reach these populations with cancer information and services that will decrease the incidence of cancer in the underserved. Most underserved communities have more cancer deaths due to lack of early screening.

The Center of Disease Control is funding a project called the Alabama Breast and Cervical Cancer Screening Program. Public Health is implementing this program statewide. Currently, a woman that is between the ages of 50 and 64 can get a free mammogram if they meet the income guidelines (200% of poverty or have a high insurance deductible). Medicaid does not pay for any screening for women. Medicare at age 65 will cover breast cancer screening. Many women already have a malignancy by the time they find a lump. Early detection has not been an option for many in the past.

It is estimated that approximately 800 women in Coffee County alone qualify for this program. To participate only about 50 have been screened. To get an appointment women need only call the Coffee County Health Department. They will provide the eligibility information. Women must first have a pelvic and clinical breast exam before going to Medical Center Enterprise for their free mammogram. All of these services are free to those who qualify.



Gibbs McCormick of New Brockton, 80 years young, is big on chufa. Besides running the Propane Gas and Appliance Company and farming, he plants habitat for wildlife. He plants sawtooth oaks, thornbergs, Lespedeza and chufa. Deer, turkeys, hogs and squirrels love them and Mr. Gibbs eats a few too.

### Chufa grown for wild turkeys

Richard L. Petcher  
County Extension Agent

Chufa is productive perennial sedge planted mainly as a fall and winter food for wild turkeys. Nutsedge is a major problem weed in this county. Every peanut and cotton farmer and every homeowner knows what a pest nutsedge can be. There is no doubt that it can be grown well in this area.

Chufa also grows well in this area and is a favorite food of most wildlife including turkeys, deer, quail, squirrel and wild hogs. The tuber of the chufa provides a digestible protein of 8% and fat of 21% for the wildlife.

Tubers are available or can be ordered at most farm stores. The price this year is approximately \$4.00 a pound. Besides growing for wildlife, this may be a crop someone may produce for seed.

Chufa grows best on sandy soils, and it is also easier for turkeys to dig them in sandy ground. Chufa will also grow on slightly acidic soils. Chufa does best if it does not have to compete with grass and other weeds. So they do well on land that was cultivated the previous season. Chufa also needs good sunlight. Chufa planted on recently cultivated land should be drilled in rows and cultivated to control the weeds.

For wildlife plots, usually one acre of chufa for 100 acres of habitat provides sufficient production of tubers for wild turkeys. The best time to plant is from May 15 to July 10. Disk your plots thoroughly and add lime and fertilizer according to soil test recommendations. When broadcasting chufa, you need between 30 and 40 pounds of tubers per acre on a well-prepared seedbed. Lightly disk over the scattered tubers, covering them with one-half inch of soil. When row planting, use 20 pounds of tubers per acre in rows 36-42 inches apart. Soil testing is the best way to determine fertilizer recommendations. If you did not soil test, apply 300-400 pounds of a balanced fertilizer per acre and side or top dress with about 100 pounds of ammonium nitrate per acre when the plants are 8-12 inches high.

Protect chufa plots from cattle grazing and compaction. Deer, hogs, raccoons and squirrels often feed on chufa. You will need to keep wildlife off the patch as much as possible during the early part of the growing season.

Chufa production can be extended each year by disking and fertilizing during the spring the previous year's plot, but best yields come from freshly reseeded sites. After two to three years on the same site, weeds and insect damage will reduce yields. Original plots should then be left fallow for several years while new plots are established elsewhere.

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### Shelf-life of food in cupboard is long but still limited

Susan Taylor  
Extension Agent/NEP

Since you are not old Mother Hubbard, chances are your cabinets are full of food. Being familiar with the recommended shelf life of various foods, helps you be sure that the food you are eating is safe. Knowing how to store food properly and how long it will keep means fewer food dollars wasted. When food is stored, it should retain all of the nutrients it had when purchased.

Non-perishable food items such as cereals, snack foods, and dry-packaged foods, such as rice, retain quality best in dry relatively cool environments. Cabinets over the range, near the dishwasher, or by the refrigerator exhaust may be too warm for food. Warm temperatures may affect the nutritional quality of the food and allow microorganisms to grow causing food spoilage.

While canned foods have a long shelf life, it is recommended that you try not to keep canned foods for more than one year. The color, flavor, texture, and nutritive value may have deteriorated in old canned goods. Canned goods should be stored at an optimum temperature of 70 degrees F and no higher than 95 F.

Looking at the condition of the can is one indicator of how safe the food is inside the can. Discard bulging cans because the food inside may be spoiled. Avoid buying cans with dents on the side seams or around the top and bottom rim seams. If a can is leaky, throw it away. Check for leakage in rusty cans. The rust may have penetrated the can and contaminated the food inside.

Bread stays fresh longer if stored in a cool, dry place. Refrigeration hastens staling of bread by retarding mold growth. High moisture breads such as English muffins and brown-and-serve breads should be stored in the refrigerator. Hard-crust breads, such as French bread, should be stored at room temperature and used within one or two days of purchase. Freeze fresh bread if you want to store it for a longer time.

Flour should be kept in an airtight container. In hot and humid weather, flour may draw moisture permitting the growth of microorganisms. Whole wheat flour should be kept refrigerated year round because the natural oils in the flour may become rancid quickly if stored at room temperature.

Vegetables such as dry onions, potatoes, rutabagas, and winter squash keep best in cool, dark places. Most fruits and vegetables should be ripened at room temperature and then refrigerated until ready to use.

Cereals, crackers, and snacks should be consumed by the "best if consumed by date" or "use by date". Normally, if ready-to-eat cereal is opened, it can be kept for two to three months provided the package liner is tightly refolded after opening.

Coffee in cans can be stored for one year if unopened and for two weeks if opened. Unopened instant coffee can be stored for six months and for two weeks if opened.

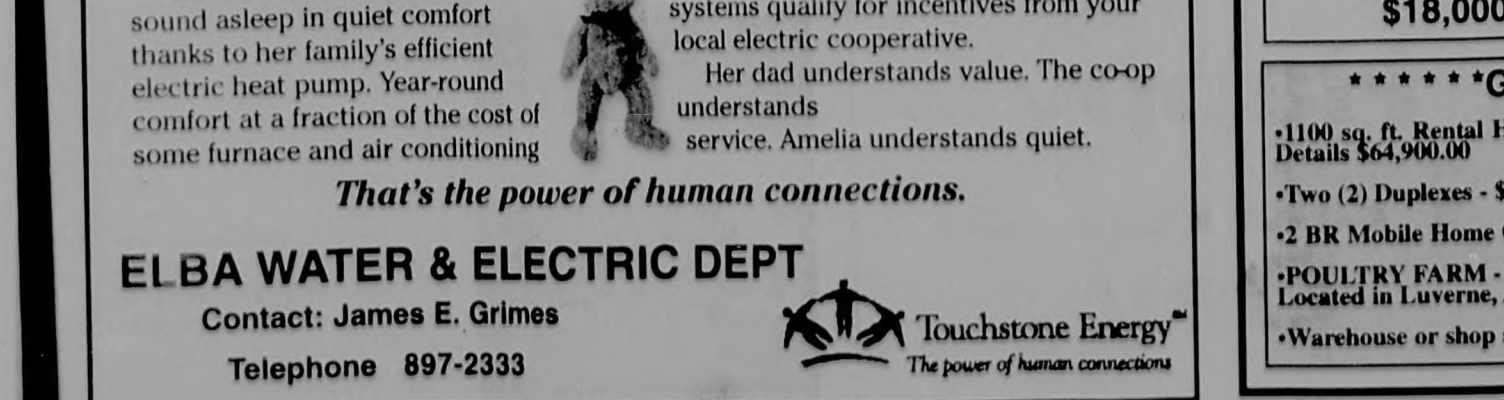
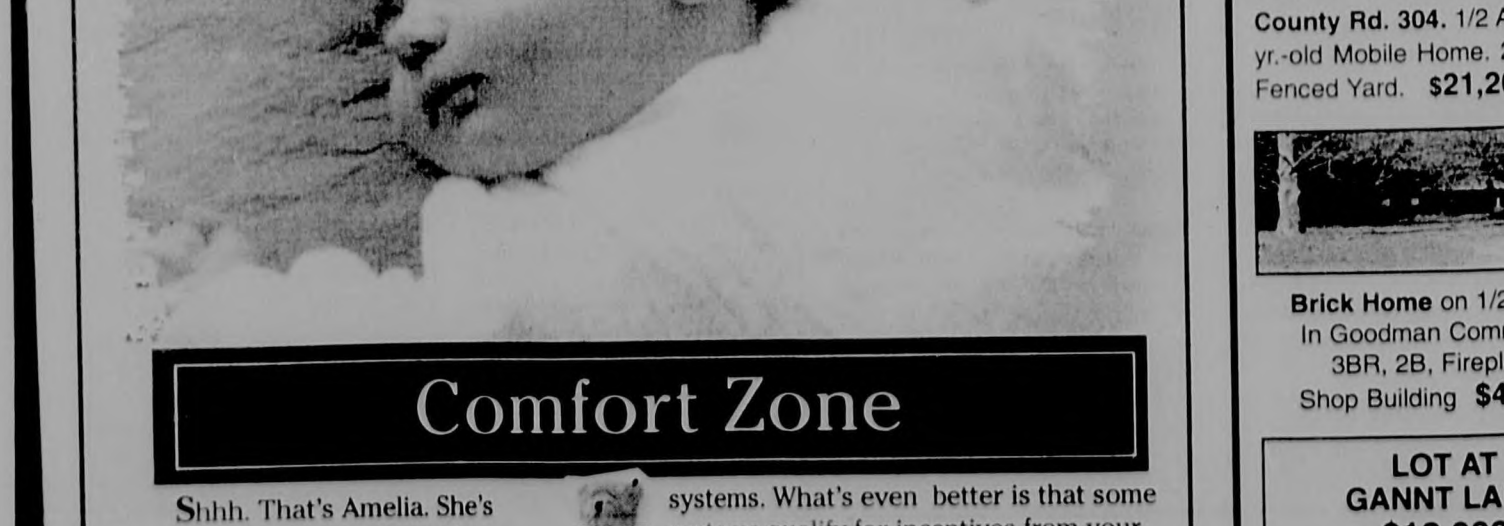
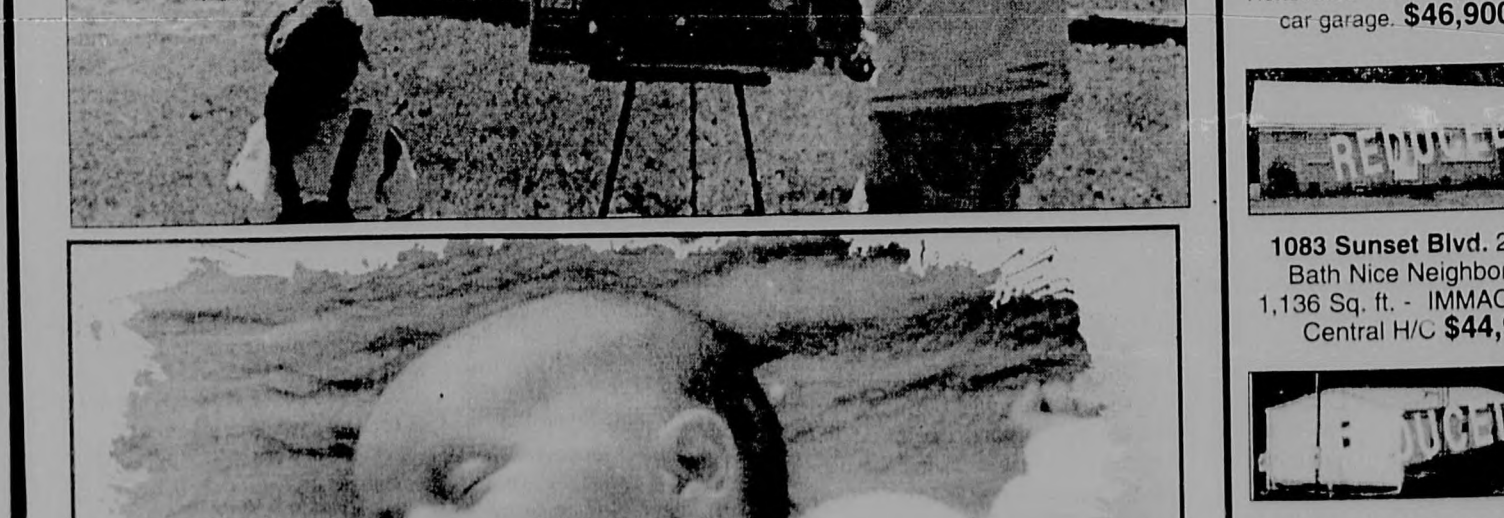
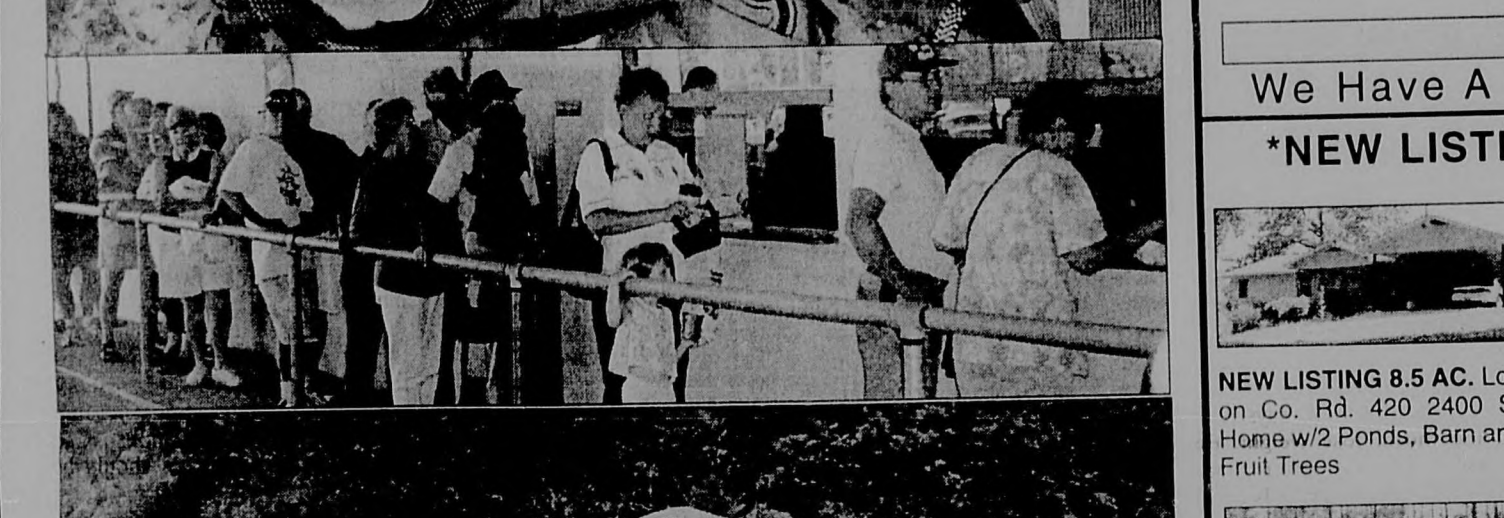
Cornmeal, grits, honey, jellies and jams, and unopened molasses all have a shelf life of one year.

Spaghetti, macaroni, and other pastas keep for two years if stored in airtight containers. An unopened bottle of salad dressing can be stored for ten to twelve months. Once opened, however, it should be refrigerated and can be kept for three months.

Solid shortenings do not require refrigeration and can be kept for eight months. Biscuit, brownie, cake, and muffin mixes can be stored for nine months if kept cool and dry.

The shelf life of crackers is three months. Pudding mixes and soup mixes both keep for one year. Unopened catsup and chili sauce can be stored for one year; if opened, one month. Mustard may be stored for two years if unopened and for six to eight months if opened. Parmesan cheese can be kept for twelve months if unopened and if opened, six months. Peanut butter can be stored for six to nine months if unopened and for two months if opened. If stored in the refrigerator, peanut butter keeps longer. For additional information on safe food storage, contact our office at 894-5596.

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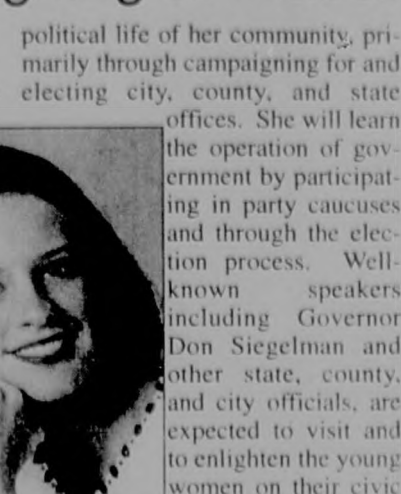
# COMMUNITY NEWS

## Hodge campaigning at Alabama Girls State



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Miss Boyd will speak to her sponsoring organization, Elba High School, and to other organizations upon invitation, about her experiences at the Alabama Girls State. The daughter of Lee and Harriette Boyd and granddaughter of Maggie Boyd, Amorette Helms and Harry Bullard, Vaughan was elected to attend Alabama Girls State because of her outstanding participation as Student Government Association president, 1999 Tiger Rep (official school hostess), All American Scholar, Sr. Beta Club, nominated for Scholar Athlete of the Year, 1998 Most Valuable Player and Free Throw (ELHS Lady Tiger Basketball), 1999 Hustle Award and Rebound Award, and National Mathematics Award winner.



These young people were among the 75 youth attending the Farm Safety Day Camp recently. They learned about pet safety, lawn mower safety, water safety, household chemical safety as well as other safety topics. Those pictured are (from left to right) William Bond, Erica Lewis, Daniel Kelley, (back left to right) Marissa Grogg, Erin McGowan, Tasha Bond, Derrick Manning.

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## Beech participates in Dauphin Island Sea Lab

Spanning the Gulf of Mexico and Mobile Bay, the Dauphin Island Sea Lab is an ideal place to learn more about a diversity of marine science subjects — everything from Estuarine Science to Marine Conservation Biology to Marine Protocology. Students in the Sea Lab's intensive, residential program are spending much time in the field, collecting samples and observing marine life; in the lab, analyzing their specimens, and in the lecture hall, as they are instructed by a wide range of Sea Lab and visiting professors. A weekly colloquium, delivered by visiting speakers and residential faculty, supplement their academic training with a diversity of topics.

Carolyn Beech from Kinston and a student at Troy State University is participating in these courses at the Dauphin Island Sea Lab for credits towards her continued education.

## Enterprise Health Fair 1999 set for this Saturday

The annual Enterprise Chamber of Commerce Health Fair for 1999 will be held on Saturday, June 12, between 8 a.m. and 12 Noon at the Morgan Square Shopping Mall on Rucker Boulevard. Health Fair '99 will feature many free health care services and screenings, including free medication consultations for those who bring in all their medicines or a list of drug names, strength and frequency taken. A blood chemistry profile will be available at a charge of \$10. Those receiving the blood test should not have food or beverages after midnight on Friday the 11th. A PSA blood test for prostate cancer will also be available for a fee of \$15. Other free testing will include: blood pressure, height and weight checks; blood sugar and cholesterol screening; vision screening; cataracts and glaucoma screening; foot examinations by a podiatrist; drug consultations with a registered pharmacist; hearing screening; lung function test; screening EKG's. There will also be numerous health education displays and exhibits available to increase community knowledge of health and fitness. For more information on Health Fair '99, call Eloise Saway at 393-8743.

## Vegetable tour to be held today

The Coffee County Vegetable Tour will be held on Thursday (TODAY), June 10, at Joey Powell's farm. Will meet at the "Pee Patch." Powell's newly opened fresh produce stand. This is located on Highway 27, approximately 7 miles south of Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church. The meeting will last from 10 a.m. until about 12 Noon. Dr. Joe Kemble and Dr. Eric Simmons, Auburn University Vegetable Specialists, will be speaking.

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LAND COULD PROVIDE DIRT AND POSSIBLE INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT NEAR COUNTY LANDFILL

## Coffee County Commission passes on purchase of 157 acres of land

by Marvin McLain, Editor

The Coffee County Commission concluded its bi-monthly meeting in less than an hour even with a 10-plus minute recess thrown in. Probably the most significant action taken by the commission was the rejection of a motion to purchase a 157 acre parcel of land located across the road from the county landfill on AL Hwy. 125 just north-east of Elba. The price of the land was \$295,000 which included a house.

Commissioner Linda Westbrook, after commenting that the commission had been discussing the purchase of the land across from the landfill for some time, made a motion to go ahead with the purchase by contacting South Alabama Electric Cooperative concerning a ten-year interest free loan. She noted the land could be used for supplying dirt to the landfill and possibly industrial development.

Commissioner Robert Stephens offered an amendment to Westbrook's motion that should the loan be secured and the land purchased, the highway department and the landfill place in their annual budgets the sums of \$10,000 and \$25,000 respectively to go toward the repayment of the loan.

In the discussion of the motions, Commissioner Doug Dalrymple commented, "I think we are getting a little ahead of ourselves. I don't think the commission has ever decided to purchase the property at the price they're wanting."

Commissioner Stephens said, "I realize the property is high. I think for the well-being of the landfill and highway department the property is something that we need."

He noted that they [commissioners] had just looked at buying a small parcel of land just two miles from this site to be used as a "clay pit" for \$36,000 "which we're going to do."

Westbrook said the land could also be used to construct a water treatment plant for the landfill and in time, the gases produced by the landfill could be utilized in an industrial manner.

Both Westbrook's motion and Stephens' amendment were voted down 4 to 3 with Westbrook,

Stephens and Kayo Lewis voting for, and Commissioners Tom Grimley, Dalrymple, Len Averett and Brooks opposing the action.

Randy Tindell, Coffee County Engineer, expressed disappointment in the action by the commission and hopes they will reconsider.

Turning to other matters of business, Commissioner Ronnie Burns presented his annual report - as required by law - to the commissioners for their approval prior to its being submitted to the state. In the report, he details the insolvents, litigations and settlements for the previous year.

He told the commission that his office had collected \$7,034,000 in taxes during the past year.

Burns summed up his report commenting, "This has been an awful good year for our office. Basically, the state owes us roughly \$25 back out of \$7,034 for this year." With that, he asked the commissioners to approve the settlement so he could carry it to Montgomery this week.

The county engineer had only a couple of items to present to the commission for their consideration. First, he presented the recommendation by the landfill committee that the credit application from Enterprise State Junior College be approved. Commissioners okayed the application.

Second, Tindell asked for the commission's permission to advertise for bids for preparation and paving of Co. Rd. 623. He noted, "This road is a budgeted road and is a part of our paving schedule." This was also approved.

County Administrator Wilson Mobley reported that the buy-out portion of the hazard mitigation project was nearing completion, and the cost of relocating the two county residents - one in the Big Creek area (Wayne White residence) and the other in the White-water Creek area (Jewel Turner residence) is \$11,700 with the county paying \$2,925 and the Federal

Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) paying \$8,775.

Relocating the White residence will cost \$43,408 with FEMA funding \$32,556 of the cost and the county the remaining \$10,852.

Commissioners signed a resolution approving this action. Mobley noted that this action was a part of the original hazardous mitigation grant received from FEMA several months ago.

Under the heading of old business, the commission opened bids on a computer management system for the District Court and the cleaning of the new Enterprise Courthouse.

The low bidder on the computer system was Southern Computers of Enterprise at \$6,510 for the computer

components and the installation of three systems.

The contract for janitorial services at the new courthouse was awarded to Southern Management of Dothan. Their bid was \$26,970 annually.

During several minutes of discussion, it was noted that the bid, according to the terms of bid specs, was awarded for a three-month "trial period" with an option to award the contract for twelve months or cancel the service.

The service will include one individual assigned to the courthouse during the day for routine cleaning with a crew coming in twice per week to do other necessary cleaning.

Commissioner Bernest Brooks

expressed concern about contracting with companies outside the county who in all probability will "bring their own people in" to do the work. (Note: No cleaning service located in the county submitted a bid). He also abstained from voting on the awarding of the contract.

Also during the discussion of the bid, Commissioner Brooks asked what would become of the county employee presently responsible for the cleaning of the courthouse. He was told that he would be assigned to assist with the janitorial services at the county health department.

Other actions taken by the commission consisted of the following:

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along county roadways. It was suggested that supervised inmates from the county jail and work release be utilized in correcting this problem, and that it be done in conjunction with the mowing of the right-of-way which is done twice a year.

\*\*\*Approved a motion by Grimley to purchase two (2) animal cages to be used by county residents who wish to transport stray cats and/or dogs to the pound facility in Elba. A small and large cage costing approximately \$60 and approximately \$250 respectively will be purchased to be used on a trial basis. The sheriff will be asked to act as custodian of the cages.

\*\*\*Approved making application for an Industrial Access Grant for Co. Rd. 603 which serves Pearson Trucking Company.

\*\*\*Appointed Jerry Thames to serve on the Goodman Water Authority. His term will expire in 2003.

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## Elba official Washington Bicentennial Community

by Ferrin Cox, Publisher

The Elba City Council received official thanks for their cooperation in honoring the 200th anniversary of the death of George Washington, who served as the first president of the United States of America. Elba was presented with the designation as an official George Washington Bicentennial Community for their efforts in honoring the "Father of Our Country." Making the presentation to Mayor James Grimley Monday evening was Richard Kemp of Ozark and Nell Gilmer of Elba. Washington died on December 14, 1799.

Police Chief R. W. Whitworth presented council members with a recap of the monthly police department activities for May. It showed an increase in criminal arrest to 41; DUI arrest doubled to eight; traffic arrest dropped one to 71 and arrests investigated increased three to a total of seven. There were 12 drug arrest by the department during the month of May. The department responded to 1126 calls for service during the month.

The police cars were driven a total of 22,302 miles. Mileage by individual officers ranged from 668 miles to 2120 miles.

Whitworth reported the police now has a weather radio center installed in the department. It was funded by Coffee County Emergency Management and has a dish installed for direct satellite receiving of weather information.

The chief also informed council members that changes in required police officer standards would necessitate some revisions in the ongoing training within the local department. He also noted that only two of the police cars have less than 170,000 miles on them. Chief Whitworth explained that he was

telling council members about this so they could be planning for the purchase of replacements.

The council approved monthly bills totaling \$21,180.58. Of that amount \$2,210.79 was spent on upgrading the Mulberry Park and \$1,807.75 was the cost of recreation concessions for resale. Asphalt mix

answer is expected by June 22nd. There will be a special board meeting scheduled to approve the hiring of new teachers once the state approval is received.

The superintendent recommended the hiring of Patsy Bane as a full time aide to work with the multi-handicapped students. She will be replacing Christy Greer, who resigned at the end of the school year. Mrs. Bane is already attending workshops dealing with the care of these students.

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financial statement and pointed to two very positive items on the statement. The system is debt free, having repaid the funds borrowed to construct the bus barn. Also the school system is about \$6,000 better off than it was at this time last year.

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## Enterprise attorney disbarred for misuse of trust funds

A prominent Enterprise attorney has been disbarred as a result of an investigation into complaints of misuse of trust funds for personal gain.

On June 4, Daniel F. Carmichael Jr. was disbarred from the practice of law by the Alabama Supreme Court. The action was taken in conjunction with Carmichael's consent to disbarment which was filed with the Disciplinary Board of the Alabama State Bar.

The Bar's disciplinary rules allow an attorney who is the subject of an investigation or proceeding involving misconduct to voluntarily surrender his or her license.

The investigation by the Bar was

began when complaints against Carmichael were received concerning his issuance of "insufficient funds" checks from his attorney's trust account.

Carmichael's trust records were audited by the Bar's Office of General Counsel. This revealed that he had been using trust funds to pay various personal expenses.

Carmichael and his attorney met with the bar on May 29, and he signed the consent to disbarment at that time.

Carmichael has been practicing law for 21 years and at one time, served as a part-time prosecutor with the District Attorney's office (1980's).

Logan, 38, all of Samson; Michael Clements, 23, of Daleville; and Johnny Mercer (no age given) of Houston County.

The arrests were a result of the combined efforts and continuing investigation by local, state and federal law enforcement agencies into the illegal manufacture and distribution of methamphetamine in the Southeast Alabama area.

Also, during the arrest of the Logans and Carroll in Samson, a large quantity of freshly cooked methamphetamine and components of a meth lab were seized. Additional charges are expected in relation to this seizure.

## State & federal EMA honor Gloria Webb for service

by Marvin McLain, Editor

Gloria T. Webb of Enterprise was given special recognition by the Alabama Emergency Management Council at its annual conference last week. She was presented a plaque during an awards luncheon held on June 7th.

Mrs. Webb was cited by both state and federal emergency management officials for exceptional service as both an Emergency Management Agency and E-911 volunteer. She was one of only a few individuals selected statewide for this special recognition.

During emergency situation, as well as other times, Mrs. Webb performs administrative duties in the local EMA office and does it with a very positive and professional attitude. And, it is all done without any compensation.

Mrs. Webb is presently serving on the Coffee County Emergency Communications (E-911) Board which has been assigned the task of seeing that every residence in rural Coffee County, Elba, Kinston, and New Brockton has been properly assigned an E-911 address.

In accomplishing this task, Mrs. Webb has traveled out in the county checking addresses to insure that they are right because in many situations, it could mean life or death. She has even gone door-to-door



GLORIA WEBB

This too is done without compensation except for mileage (gas money).

Mrs. Webb, wife of EMA Director Charles Webb, has been a volunteer for the agency since her retirement but has become more active in the last year.

"It makes me feel good to know that I have helped someone, plus it helps me remain active and busy," she said.

She also encourages others to become more involved and volunteer their services, especially in emergency situations.

## Area Happenings

**TOWN MEETING.** U. S. Senator Jeff Sessions will hold a town meeting in Coffee County at the Enterprise City Hall on Friday June 18, 1999 at 4:00 p.m.

**DEDICATION & OPEN HOUSE.** The Coffee County Public Building Authority and the Coffee County Commission cordially invite the citizens of Coffee County to the dedication and open house of the Coffee County Courthouse - Enterprise Division on Sunday, June 27, 1999 at 2:00 p.m. The new courthouse is located at 99 South Edwards Street in Enterprise.

**GRIEF & OUTREACH PROGRAM.** The Regional Grief and Loss Outreach Program, sponsored in conjunction with Community Care Hospice and AARP, will hold volunteer training classes on June 23-24-25 and 28. This program is for individuals who would like to work with the newly bereaved in the community. For more information, call 347-6846.

**RED CROSS OFFERS LIFE-SAVING COURSES.** The American Red Cross will offer a 6 1/2 hour standard first aid course that covers both Adult Cardiopulmonary resuscitation and First Aid Basics on Saturday, June 19, from 8:30 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. The cost of the course is \$30. Also, a five hour Infant and Child CPR course emphasizing response to emergencies, rescue breathing and cardiopulmonary resuscitation performed on children and infants will be offered on Saturday, June 26, from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m. The cost of the course will be \$20. Both courses will be held at the Enterprise Civic Center, 711 Crawford Street. For more information or to enroll, call 347-2461.